(b) whether any assessment has been made about the utilization of these funds;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) the details of unemployed youths in Rajasthan who have received funds under the PMRY; and

(e) whether PMRY has been merged with National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme, 2005 (NREGS)?

THE MINISTER OF AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRI MAHAVIR PRASAD): (a) The details of funds released to the Government of Rajasthan during the last three years under the Prime Minister's Rozgar Yojana (PMRY) are as under:

Year	funds Released (Rs. lakh)
2002-03	57.83
2003-04	106.01
2004-05	104.30

In addition, Central funds for subsidy payable to the individual beneficiaries (who are sanctioned loans by the Banks participating in implementation of the PMRY) are released to the Reserve Bank of India which in turn passes them to the implementing Banks for crediting the permissible amount to the loan accounts of these beneficiaries.

(b) and (c) Utilisation of funds released to the States/UTs is regulated/ monitored according to the norms prescribed for the Yojana. On the basis of utilisation certificates received from the States, reconciliation of funds is done and surplus/deficit adjusted accordingly in the subsequent release of funds to the States.

(d) A total of 37,689 unemployed youth have received funds under the PMRY from 2002-03 to 2004-05.

(e) No, Sir.

Schemes for development of agro-rural industries in Rajasthan

1336. DR. GYAN PRAKASH PILANIA: Will the Minister of AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Centrally-sponsored schemes implemented for developing agro-rural industries in Rajasthan;

(b) the details of funds allocated and spent, during the last three years;

(c) the targets set and the achievements made in this regard, during the last three years;

(d) whether at present any proposals regarding agro-rural industries, from the Government of Rajasthan, are pending for consideration with the Centre; and

(e) if so, the details and status thereof?

THE MINISTER OF AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRI MAHAVIR PRASAD): (a) to (e) The only Centrally-sponsored scheme implemented by the Government in the Ministry of Agro and Rural Industries, is the Scheme for Co-operativisation. This is implemented in the coir-producing States. Rajasthan is not a coir producing State. Hence the scheme is not implemented in Rajasthan.

Priority list of Infrastructure Committee

†1337. SHRI PYARELAL KHANDELWAL: Will the Minister of AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the priority list of Infrastructure Committee constituted under the Chairmanship of the Prime Minister, does not cover important areas such as, agriculture and rural industries;

(b) whether it is a fact that Khadi Gramodyog, a leading agency in the field of rural employment, has turned defunct due to Government's apathetic attitude ;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor particularly regarding Khadi Gramodyog; and

(e) whether Government are contemplating a proposal to establish small scale industries alongwith agriculture in the villages on the lines of Japan?

THE MINISTER OF AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRI MAHAVIR PRASAD): (a) The National Rural Infrastructure Committee constituted under the Chairmanship of the Prime Minister has been entrusted the task of monitoring "Bharat Nirman", a time-bound programme (2005-09) for developing rural infrastructure, like irrigation, rural roads, drinking water, electrification, housing and telephone connectivity. Agriculture and rural industries do not fall in the category of "rural infrastructure".

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